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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with the application for INJECTION MOLDING TRANSFER APPARATUS AND METHOD.

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. In accordance with current practice, copies of U.S. patent documents are not being provided.

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It is respectfully requested that the below-listed information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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